



DISABILITY AND COMMUNICATION ACCESS BOARD

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Disability and Communication Access Board Disability-Related Bills (as of July 8, 2013)

The Disability and Communication Access Board's (DCAB) Legislative Committee met weekly to review and take positions on disability-related measures introduced at the 2013 Hawaii State Legislature. The following list includes bills and resolutions upon which DCAB took a position.

One (1) bill related to the Disability and Communication Access Board (DCAB) was introduced as part of the Administrative Package at the 2013 Hawaii State Legislature.

- HB 892, HD2 – Relating to Funding for Parking for Disabled Persons This bill increases the state motor vehicle registration fee \$1 to be deposited into the DCAB special fund to support the Parking for Persons with Disabilities Program beginning July 1, 2014. Crossed over to the Senate and referred to the Senate Committee on Ways and Means and had no hearing. The bill died.

Other measures that DCAB took positions on at the 2013 Legislature are listed below by categories:

- **Non-Discrimination Against Persons with Disabilities/Civil Rights**
 - SB 328, SD1, HD2, CD1 – Relating to Animals Amends the Residential Landlord-Tenant Code to provide for security deposits that include an additional amount to pay for damages caused by any pet animal, other than an assistance animal, allowed to reside in the premises pursuant to the rental agreement. Effective for rental agreements entered into on or after November 1, 2013. Signed by the Governor on June 26, 2013 as Act 206.
 - HB 266, HD1, SD2, CD1 - Relating to Language Access Establishes and provides appropriations of \$170,000 for both years of the biennium for interpretation and translation services to the Office of Language Access, and \$80,000 for both fiscal years to establish a Statewide Language Access Resource Center and Multilingual Website Pilot Project to be administered by the Office of Language Access. Monies are appropriated to the Department of Health. Effective July 1, 2013. Signed by Governor on June 27, 2013 as Act 217.
- **Community-Based Services for Persons with Disabilities – Non-Appropriation**
 - HR 70 – Requesting the Hawaii Tourism Authority with Cooperation from the Department of Health and the Hawaii Visitors and Convention

Bureau to Improve Marketing and Visitor Information Strategies to
Attract Travelers with Disabilities to Hawaii

Adopted in final form by the Legislature on April 23, 2013.

- **Community-Based Services for Persons with Disabilities – Appropriation**
 - HB 1430, HD2, SD2, CD1 – Relating to Human Services Appropriates \$400,000 for fiscal year 2013-2014 to the Department of Human Services for the establishment and operation of a comprehensive deaf services center for people who are deaf, hard of hearing or deaf-blind. Signed by the Governor on June 27, 2013 as Act 218.
 - SB 106, SD1, HD1, CD1 – Relating to Aging Establishes and funds a position for an Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementia Services Coordinator. Appropriates \$30,000 to convene the Task Force on Mobility Management. DCAB is named as a member of the task force. The Task Force will be dissolved on June 20, 2015. Additional funds appropriated for Kupuna Care Program and Healthy Aging Partnership Program with the Executive Office on Aging. Signed by the Governor on June 27, 2013 as Act 214.
- **Other**
 - SB 32 – Relating to the Uniform Electronic Legal Material Act Establishes authentication and other requirements for selected legal materials if they are published exclusively in electronic format. Does not require electronic publication. Signed by the Governor on April 11, 2013 as Act 11.

For a complete listing of bills reviewed by the DCAB Legislative Committee, or questions about disability-related legislation, contact Debbie Jackson at 586-8121 or via email to debbra.jackson@doh.hawaii.gov.